



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20463

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RE: MUR 5598
Utah Republican Party (Federal
Account)
Mike McCauley, in his official
capacity as treasurer
Joseph A. Cannon

Dear Mr. Jowers:

On August 18, 2006, your clients, the Utah Republican Party (Federal Account) and Mike McCauley, in his official capacity as treasurer, were notified that the Federal Election Commission found reason to believe that they violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441a(a)(2)(A), 434(b), and 441d. The Commission did not take any action at that time with respect to Joseph A. Cannon. On November 11, 2006, the Utah Republican Party (Federal Account) and Mike McCauley, in his official capacity as treasurer, submitted a response to the Commission's reason to believe findings. After considering the circumstances of the matter, the Commission determined on February 11, 2009, to dismiss this matter in an exercise of prosecutorial discretion. *See Heckler v. Chaney*, 470 U.S. 821 (1985). A Statement of Reasons providing a basis for the Commission's decision will follow.

The file in this matter is now closed. Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. *See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files*, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003).

If you have any questions, please contact Jack Gould, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Allen".

Mark Allen
Assistant General Counsel

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